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"PATENT APPLICATION"

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

JEAN-PIERRE TAHON ET AL

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed concurrently with a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114.

Please amend the claims as set forth below prior to continuing examination of the captioned application.